

**V.J. and Angela Skutt Student Center Advisory Board**  
**Tuesday, November 16, 2010**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Voting Members Present:** Students –Ryan Crnkovich, Susan Fontana, David Gant, Kayla Hathcote, Karen Vanderzaden, Makinzie Vowels, and Melissa Hottovy; Non-Students – LeeAnn Crist, Eric Immel, and Matt Hill

**Non-Voting Members Present:** Ryan Lahne, Sara Carter, and Christina Ramirez

**Guests Present:** Tami Thibodeau (Skutt and Harper Business Manager), Michelle Ferestad (Skutt and Harper Events Manager), Eric Yarwood (Associate Director, Skutt and Harper Centers), Denine Buck (Sodexo Retail Manager), Amber Bruyere (Sodexo Marketing Specialist), Ashton Page (Student Art Coordinator)

**Voting Members Absent:** none

**Non-Voting Members Absent:** Dr. Katie Hatfield

**Welcome:** Ryan Lahne called the meeting to order at 3:32pm. Lahne gave a review of the agenda.

**Old Business:**

Review of Minutes

Decision made to unofficially approve minutes from the October 12, 2010 meeting.

Student Art Program – “You Are Beautiful”

Lahne introduced Ashton Page, Student Art Coordinator, to speak about the current art display. The display encourages students to see the beauty within them, designed to be an uplifting exhibit. The exhibit was done in collaboration with PEAC.

Thibodeau gave a review of current student art information, art committee, programming, and announced hiring an art intern.

Skutt Dining Update

Buck: The breakfast food trial will begin during dead week and finals week. Then we will begin having breakfast available starting Spring Semester from 7:00am to 10:00am. Looking into closing earlier on Friday night and opening on Sunday night with a meal exchange offered in order to alleviate some of the congestion at Brandeis. Lahne will discuss with Chef Wes and Michelle Starzyc also.

Bruyere: We are looking at having two to three different coffee options on campus. Currently doing some research on different vendors.

Yarwood: New signs are the next project. We have some food station name recommendations, but please bring more to the next meeting. We want to make the area more lively and inviting. Bring your ideas to the next meeting.

Skutt Student Center Update

Discussion about marketing on Akoo, finding a vendor to offer movie rentals on campus, and Larry Hall Jr’s presence down near Jack & Ed’s.

The marketing project using Akoo is moving slowly along, but moving along nonetheless.

A suggestion was made to offer game rentals as well as movie rentals. Many think this would be a well used service.

Some students have mentioned Larry Hall and question why he is here in the student center. Suggestion was made to open up a conversation with Larry to discuss his presence/purpose.

**New Business:**

Alpha Sigma Nu Banner

They would like to hang a banner in Skutt alongside the current blue banners that show the Jesuit values.

Voting resulted in a unanimous decision to not allow Alpha Sigma Nu to place a banner in Skutt.

Skutt Dashboard Summaries

Lahne: The Dashboard is intended to give the board information regarding how Skutt is used so we can make the best possible decisions regarding the facility.

Carter gave an overview of Skutt Event Information. There has been a slight drop in student events being held at Skutt. Discussion as to why this is happening. Some thoughts were that rooms were already filled in Skutt, parking is perceived as more readily available at Harper, the Registrar's office seems to suggest Harper more so than Skutt, and the perception is that Harper is more formal whereas Skutt is more like home – hanging out

Thibodeau gave an overview of Financial Information. Catering, Reservations, and Vending revenue are down at Skutt. Retail revenue is slightly up. We may see numbers change in Vending when JayBucks begin to be accepted again at the machines.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.